### February 2022 Newsletter

#### Knoxville Figure Skating Club

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Dear KFSC member,

Let us start by thanking our retiring Board Members and officers Denise Rivers and Gabrielle McConkey for their years of service to KFSC. We would also like to thank our Jr Board Officers from Last year Bonnie, Catey, and Mikaela. Current Board members and officers are listed below.

Thank you to everyone who made the Holly Jolly Ice Show a success, there were so many smiling faces. The coaches did a fantastic job as well as our show committee and volunteers.

We will be having our annual Club Meeting by Zoom on Sunday March 6<sup>th</sup>. During the meeting we will review the previous year and discuss plans for the coming year. A link will be emailed out closer to the meeting date.

This was the date we had reserved for the banquet but in following USFS guidelines we will be postponing the banquet until the Spring.

We offer Monthly Virtual Testing, the first of each month. Please discuss Virtual Testing with your coach. Cool Sports will offer dedicated testing time for higher level tests.

Remember to check the FS Schedule and to pre-book your FS sessions with Cool Sports. They can be booked online using the Cool Sports Website.

If you have any pictures or member recognitions, or event ideas please submit them to the club email. Photos are appreciated.

Thank you,

The KFSC Board KnoxSkating@gmail.com

Do you know your board members?

Lori Clark (President)
Jenny Payne (Vice President
Robert Darby (Secretary)
Susan Mulcahy (Treasurer)
Treva Ogle
Danielle Perry
Jenny Sobota
Jennifer Rohrig
Sonia Allan

#### **Upcoming Events:**

Virtual Testing- The 1st of every month (video within 30 days)

February 3-5 Consignment Sale

March 6th Annual Club Meeting

April 2<sup>nd</sup> Dogwood Spring Festival Competition and Exhibition

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February 3rd to the 20th

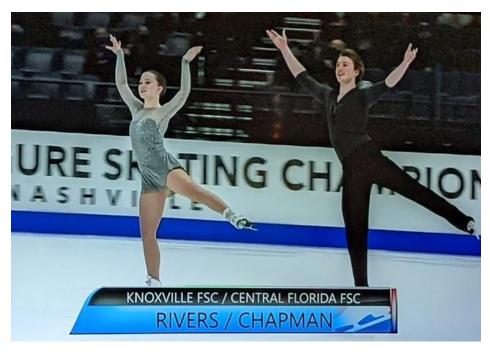


### Congratulations to our skater who competed!

Cat Rivers and Timmy Chapman - Junior Pairs Bronze Medalists









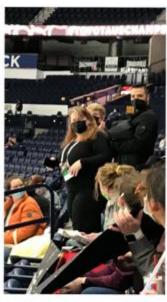
# **KFSC Supporting Cat at Nationals**

















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## **Knoxville Sweepers at Nationals**

Madison, Kate, Maddie, Ameliya, Isaac, and Tait. (Catey not pictured)









# Cookie Swap and Card Making party 85 Holiday cards were delivered to NHC in Farragut

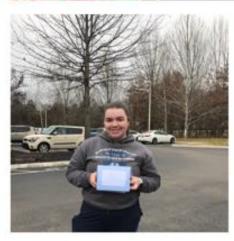


















# **Holly Jolly Ice Show** - videos, photos and ornaments may still be ordered.

















### **USFS SafeSport is now USFS SkateSafe**

SafeSport Certifications must be renewed for the 21/22 membership year.



#### The USFS program is called Skate Safe but the certification is still SafeSport.

The renewal is shorter than the initial certification. Current Certifications and memberships expire in June.

Every adult member must be Safe Sport certified. If the member is under 18, an adult family member must be Safe Sport certified. You must login to <a href="https://usfsaonline.org/">https://usfsaonline.org/</a> and click on the Skate Safe Logo

We are interested in keeping our children safe both physically and emotionally.



#### **Jackets**

If you interested in a club jacket please reach out to Robert Darby or email knoxskating@gmail.com



### Skater of the Month

Name: Abby Payne

**Age:** 13

Current Coaches: Konstantin Baradakov and Lucie Krausova

How long have you been skating? 10 years

Why did you start skating? My friends and I enrolled in snowplow and I loved it.

What are your favorite and least favorite things to practice? My favorite things to practice are jumps, especially double flips. My least favorite thing to practice is Moves in the Field.

# How has skating helped you as a person?

Skating has shown me that you can't just have something by asking for it, you have to work hard for it.

# What other things, outside of skating do you enjoy?

Outside of skating I like to listen to music, especially Alec Benjamin. I also like watching skating on tv,



Maxim Zharkov is my favorite skater to watch. I like FaceTiming my friends and I enjoy spending time with my sister Molly.

#### What do you admire most about your skater?

What I admire most about Abby is that she is a hard worker both on and off the ice. She's responsible and helpful and encouraging to others. I enjoy getting to watch her pursue her passion on the ice and am so proud of her every day.



Junior Board

Abby, Bonnie, Catey, Catherine, Connor, Jaedyn, Janie, Kayleigh, Kenli, Mikaela, and Tait.

Elected officers of the 21/22 Junior Board!

President: Connor Vice President: Tait Secretary: Abby

The Junior Board has been established to create a voice for the skating members of KFSC and to connect the skaters to the Board of Directors, coaches and parents. Members of the Junior Board, will share a passion for skating and serving the KFSC community. Members of the Junior Board, will help foster a fun, positive, welcoming, and supportive environment.

Remember to check out Knoxfigureskating on Instagram.

Signups for exhibitions during LTS and Public Skate will be coming soon. We will also be looking for "Buddies" for the Learn to Skate students and skaters to help play games at the end of LTS sessions.

A club member will be randomly drawn, by the Jr Board, for the skater of the month profile.



Do you like seeing photois in the newsletter? Please submit your photos to knoxskating@gmail.com.



# Competition with Compete USA (up to Preliminary) and Exhibition (up to Senior)

#### Saturday April 2nd, 2022

**Registration Deadline: March 14th, 2022** Hosted by Cool Sports Skating Academy

**ELIGIBILITY TO COMPETE** The competition is an open competition and ALL skaters who are current eligible (ER 1.00) members of either the Learn to

Skate USA program or those who are full members of U.S. Figure Skating. To be eligible, skaters must have submitted a membership application or be a member in good standing. Members of other organizations are eligible to compete but must be registered with Learn to Skate USA or a member club. There will be no more than six competitors maximum in an event.

**COVID-19 INFORMATION:** Participating athletes / teams must follow local health and safety guidelines. U.S. Figure Skating does not condone athletes/teams going against their state and local health guidelines to train. The Dogwood Spring Festival will follow local, state and USFS COVID-19 guidelines that are current at the time of the competition. Competition officials will inform all participants of these guidelines one week prior to the competition via email.

**Eligibility and Test Requirements:** Eligibility will be based on skill level as of closing date of entries. All **Snowplow Sam, Basic Skills 1-6 and Adult 1-6** skaters must skate at highest level passed or one level higher and NO official U.S. Figure Skating tests may have been passed, including Moves in the Field or individual dances.

For the **Pre-Free Skate and Free Skate 1-6 levels**, eligibility will be based only upon highest free skate test level passed (Moves in the Field test level will not determine skater's competitive level). Skaters may skate at highest level passed OR one level higher, but not both levels in the same event during the same competition. Skaters may not compete at more than one level in the same type event at the same competition.

APPLICABLE RULES The event is approved and shall be conducted under Rules 1040, 1070 and U.S. Figure Skating Guidelines of the current U.S. Figure Skating Rulebook, as a Special Competition. The competition will follow the same level requirements for a Compete USA Competition; Snowplow—Basic 6; Adult 1-6; Pre-Free Skate; Free skate 1-6; Adult Pre-Bronze & Adult Bronze. EVENT FEES Beginner - Preliminary / Adult Pre-Bronze & Bronze events: \$45 First Event \$20 Each Additional Event Snowplow 1 - Free Skate 6 / Adult 1-6 events. \$30 First Event \$15 Each additional Team Events (Duets, Mini, Ensemble) \$15 per person

JUDGING 1. The 6.0 judging system will be used for all artistic & traditional programs. 2. Officials will be chosen from U.S. Figure skating coaches, judges, or eligible U.S. Figure Skating members 3. The judging panel for each event will consist of 3 judges and 1 chief referee. Trial judges may be added.

Showcase Events: Performances will be judged from an entertainment standpoint, for theatrical and artistic qualities. The 6.0 judging system will be used. One mark will be awarded by each judge for each performance. No technical skating mark will be awarded. Technical skating skills and difficulty will not be rewarded as such; however, skating must be the major element of the performance and be of enough quality to support the selected theatrical elements. Unintended falls, poorly executed skating elements and obvious losses of control will negatively affect the competitor's/team's marks. Jump difficulty is not rewarded in showcase; therefore jumps, if choreographed, should be performed with style, flow and confidence. Theatrical elements evaluated will include are but not limited to: Reflection of the musicality as it pertains to the concept of the program, Projection, Energy, Timing, Acting, Skating skills that relate to the music, Use of props and scenery, Interaction (Duets and Ensembles only) Deductions will apply for negligence relating to costumes, props, program times.

#### **EVENTS OFFERED**

- Basic Elements Event (Snowplow 1 Basic 6)
- Basic Program with Music Event (Snowplow 1 Basic 6)
- Compulsory Event (Pre-Free Skate Free Skate 6)
- Program with Music Event (Pre-Free skate Free Skate 6)
- Excel Compulsory Event (Excel Beginner Excel Preliminary)
- Well Balanced Levels Compulsory Event (No-Test Preliminary)
- Excel Free Skate Event (Excel Beginner Excel Preliminary Plus)
- Well Balanced Free Skate Program Event (No-Test Preliminary)
- Adult 1-6, Beginner Bronze Compulsory Event
- Adult 1-6 Free Skate with Music Event
- Adult Beginner Bronze Free Skate Program with Music Event
- Spins Challenge (Beginner Preliminary)
- Jumps Challenge (Beginner Preliminary)
- Solo Pattern Dance Event (Preliminary and Pre-Bronze)
- Dramatic, Light Entertainment & Duet Showcase Events (Basic 1 Adult Bronze)
- Mini Production (3-7 skaters)
- Group Production (8-30 skaters)
- Hockey 1-4 Elements and Skills Challenge
- Interpretive
- Team Compulsories Program

Register on Entryeeze.com

There is something for everyone at the Dogwood Spring Festival.

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